

# Sermon Discussion Guide Week of 04/2/2017

### > Icebreaker

What did you want to be when you were a kid? Why?

#### > Announcements

Invite someone to our upcoming new series "Faith and Doubt" and also our Easter Service.

### > Prayer Time

## Discussion Questions

How would you say you feel about your prayer life right now? Do you feel comfortable praying? What do you pray about often? Why do you think so often pray can become lifeless and routine in our lives? Read: Matthew 6:5-13. According to Jesus what is important when it comes to prayer?

Read: Colossians 4:2 and 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18. What about the aspects of prayer described here can bring more life to our prayers and give us more purpose throughout the day? Why is it such a big deal for followers of Christ to have a constant rhythm of prayer coupled with specific times of prayer? What can we miss if we don't do this?

Read Colossians 4:3-4 and Hebrews 4:16. How do these verses become more impactful and powerful when viewed in light of the idea that life is a battle? Why do you think it is important to have a "wartime walkie talkie" view of prayer? Why is it so important that we keep focused on the mission of God and pray for our community here at Lifepoint? What are some ways we can do this more effectively?

Read Acts 4:24-31. What did the Apostles pray for? Looking at this passage what does this teach us about what we are really doing in prayer and why it is so important?

Why is it so vital that we get into the action ourselves? Why do we need to act on our prayers and how does this actually help us make an impact? What are some examples of ways we can act on our prayers?

> Conversational Prayer: Dear God show me...